



ST. PATRICK'S DAY PEDDLERS/HAWKERS/STREET VENDOR QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS INFORMATION

Q: HOW CAN I OBTAIN A VENDOR APPLICATION FOR THE ST. PATRICK'S DAY FESTIVAL?

A: Applications may be obtained via the City of Savannah website (www.savannahga.gov), mail or be picked-up (132 E. Broughton Street, Savannah, GA 31401).

Q: WHAT TYPE OF LICENSE IS NEEDED TO VEND DURING THE ST. PATRICK'S FESTIVAL?

A: There are three types of permits issued during the festival:

Fixed-Location Vendor Permit

Fixed-Location Food Vendor Permit

Mobile Vendor Permit

Q: WHAT IS THE FEE FOR A PERMIT?

A: Fees for a permit range from \$35.00 to \$450.00.

Q: WHAT FORMS OF PAYMENT ARE ACCEPTED?

A: Cash, money order or major credit card are accepted.

Q: WHAT DAYS CAN I SELL DURING THE FESTIVAL?

A: Permits issued to fixed location vendors are valid from March 16, 2017 to March 18, 2017.

Permits issued to mobile vendors are only valid on Thursday, March 17, 2017. **No additional days are permitted for mobile vendors.**

Q: I WANT TO SELL FOOD OR NON-FOOD FROM A SITE; DOES THE CITY OF SAVANNAH PROVIDE SITES FOR SELLING?

A: The City of Savannah does not provide locations for vendors. Each location must have approval from the City Zoning Department before the application can be processed. A food-service permit from the Chatham County Health Department is also needed. To contact the Health Department, please call 912-356-2160.

Q: DO I NEED A CITY OF SAVANNAH BUSINESS LICENSE IF I HAVE ONE FROM WITHIN THE STATE OF GEORGIA?

A: No, as long as you provide proof of your current business license.

Q: WHERE AM I PROHIBITED TO SELL MY MERCHANDISE?

A: The following streets, sidewalks and public rights-of-way are off-limits to peddlers, festival hawkers or street vendors:

The River Street "controlled" festival zone;

All of the area north of the southern curb of Bay Street;

All City Parks and Squares;

all of the City Market area (bordered by Bryan Street on the north, Congress Street on the south, Barnard Street on the east, and Montgomery Street on the west); and the traffic lanes along the designated parade route when and where the parade is in progress.

Q: WHAT IS THE DEADLINE TO SUBMIT A PERMIT APPLICATION?

A: For vendors selling food and non-food items from a fixed location, applications and all required documentation must be submitted by **March 13, 2017. Fixed location permits will be available for pick-up between 9:00 A.M – 12:00 P.M. on Wednesday, March 15, 2017.**

Hawker permit applications must be received by 5pm, Wednesday, **March 15, 2017.** All hawkers' permits will be available for pick-up between 2:00 P.M. and 4:00 P.M. on March 16, 2017. **No applications will be processed on March 17, 2017.**

Q: WHAT IF MY BUSINESS IS A NONPROFIT? DO I NEED A BUSINESS LICENSE?

A: For festival hawker permits, the non-profit entity must submit proof of the business tax certificate along with the permit application. No fee is charged for the permit, but all hawker regulations must be followed. A **maximum of five (5)** hawker permits will be issued to any one non-profit entity. For temporary fixed locations, proof of the non-profit entity's tax certificate must be included with the application and all regulations including approval of the location by the Development Services Department and any required food service permits must be included as well. There is no charge for the permit.

Q: CAN I SHARE MY PERMIT WITH MY CO-WORKER?

A: No, each person must obtain a separate permit.

Q: WHAT IF MY PERMIT IS LOST OR STOLEN?

A: No duplicate permit will be issued.

Q: IF MY MERCHANDISE IS CONFISCATED, WHEN CAN I PICK UP IT UP?

A: You can pick up your merchandise on March 19, 2017 from the designated location.

Q: CAN SOMEONE ELSE PICKUP MY PERMIT?

A: Yes, as long as the person picking up your permit provides proof of your original ID.

Q: WHAT ELSE DO I NEED TO KNOW?

A: All permitted vendors must comply with the conditions of their business certificate (license). These documents must be with the vendor at all times during the Festival (March 17) and present them if requested—**NO EXCEPTIONS.**

For more information, please call the Revenue Department at 912-651-6445.